

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 797

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Alexandra Minter, 2008 Valedictorian of Seymour High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Alexandra Minter is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Seymour High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Minter has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Alexandra Minter has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while actively participating in a number of extracurricular activities, such as Spanish Club and Teen Board; and

WHEREAS, Alexandra's academic prowess has been noted with the receipt of numerous awards and accolades, including membership on the A Honor Roll and in the Junior Beta Club, Senior Beta Club, and National Honors Society; in addition, she has received the Biology I Award, Air Force Award, and Naval Science Award, placed first as the Tennessee State Beta Club Special Talent winner and finished second as the National Beta Special Talent Runner-Up; and

WHEREAS, she has also demonstrated superb vocal ability as a Grace Baptist Praise Band vocalist and as a member of the Mixed Ensemble, Women's Ensemble, Honors Choir, All-East Choir, and All-State Choir, as well as participating with the American Choral Directors Association; and

WHEREAS, a selfless individual committed to community and public service, Alexandra has graciously donated her time and talents to the Fantasy of Trees, the Angel Tree program, and as a Louisville Christian Sunday School teacher of kindergarten through second grade; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Minter's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at East Tennessee State University (ETSU) where she has received a Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship and ETSU's Academic Performance Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Alexandra's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Pamela Motley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Alexandra Minter's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Seymour High School Valedictorian, Ms. Alexandra Minter, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.